IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE.

In Re the Application of:) Group Art Unit: 1647
cox) Examiner: Stoica, Elly Gerald
Serial No.: 10/685,288) Confirmation No.; 1441
Filed: October 13, 2003) AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE
Atty. File No.: 4152-1-PUS-8	Submitted via EFS-Web
For: "DERIVATIVES OF GROWTH HORMONE AND RELATED PROTEINS, AND METHODS OF USE THEREOF"")))))

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Amendment and Response is filed in response to the non-final Office Action having a mailing date of October 24, 2007. Enclosed herewith is a one-month extension of time, to extend the time for responding from January 24, 2007 to February 24, 2007. In the event that additional fees are due in connection with this response, please debit Deposit Account No. 19-1970.

Amendment to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims beginning on page 9 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.